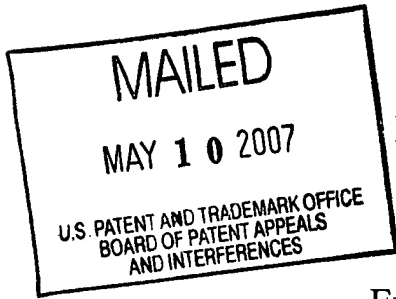


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ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER


This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on February 5, 2007. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matter requiring attention prior to docketing is identified below.

On November 20, 2006, counsel for the appellants filed a "SUPPLEMENTAL APPEAL BRIEF". There is no indication in the record, that the examiner responded to the Supplemental Appeal brief filed November 20, 2006.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is being electronically returned to the Examiner for proper response to the "SUPPLEMENTAL APPEAL BRIEF of November 20, 2006, and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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